



**T** **LIBERTARIAN**  
PARTY OF COLORADO

April 2017

## MISSING BOARD REPORTS

### Resolved into the LPCO Standing Rules (2016-05-09):

*“Monthly Board reports are due by the Wednesday before the regularly scheduled board meeting and shall be published to the Party website by the Communications Director by the Friday prior to any regularly scheduled meeting for viewing by membership and Board members...”*

- The following Board Reports were not submitted in time to be published on the LPCO website, violating the current standing rule:
  - Records
- The above Board Members will be presenting their report at the next board meeting in full.
- The next Board Meeting is scheduled for **July 10, 2017** at the **Independence Institute, 727 E 16th Ave, Denver, CO 80203** from **7pm to 9pm**.

Respectfully Submitted,

David Aitken  
Website Volunteer  
Libertarian Party of Colorado



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### **July, 2017**

As per our Bylaws Article II, Section 1, the duties of the State Chair are as follows: The State Chair shall be the chief executive officer of the Party, holding the powers of administration pertaining to the ordinary business affairs of the Party and such other powers as may be delegated by the Board of Directors. The State Chair may appoint such Party functionaries as a recording and corresponding secretary, an office manager, and an events chair. The State Chair shall compile, maintain and make available to the Board of Directors a publication listing all "Standing rules" and "Special rules" adopted by the Board of Directors. The State Chair shall specify the date and time of the next Convention at least 45 days before it is convened. The State Chair, or his or her designee, including other Board members acting within their designated job duties at the direction of the Chair, shall be the person who shall communicate on behalf of the Party. The State Chair shall file any amendments to the Party's Constitution or Bylaws with the Secretary of State within fifteen days after such amendments are adopted.

- 1) Attended the LPDC Parker days parade.
- 2) Attended Denver's Development Group meeting .
- 3) Spoke with Joe Johnson about giving a presentation about candidates and line sharing.
- 4) Attended the Signature gathering event in Douglas County.
- 5) Chaired the Douglas County Affiliate.
- 6) Met with an activist to discuss what might be a great fundraising opportunity for the LPCO.
- 7) Spoke with the balance of board members about their business plans.

***Respectfully Submitted,  
Wayne Harlos  
State Chair, LPCO***



Vice Chair Report, May 2017

## DUTIES AND POWERS

### Art II Sec 2 of the By-Laws of the Libertarian Party of Colorado:

*“The Vice Chair shall assist the State Chair in the performance of executive duties, act as Chair in the temporary absence of the State Chair, develop and support affiliate parties and district caucuses, ensure affiliate compliance with requirements in the Party Constitution and Bylaws, communicate with Affiliate Representatives on a monthly basis, and facilitate resource sharing and cooperation among the affiliates.”*

- Duties Charged by the Chair:
  - [2017 Business Plan](#)
  - Application for Convention Committee
    - I came up with a rough draft and submitted it. Overwhelmingly the board wishes to move the application to a form on a website. I have not yet completed the Convention Committee application form online.
    - I am unsure which platform we will be using for this or when the Board wants to get this application out there
- Develop and Support Affiliate Parties and District Caucuses
  - I am working with our Regions Director to develop and support our local development groups and Affiliates Parties. Please review the Regions Director Report for progress and local updates for Development Groups.
- Ensure Affiliate Compliance with Requirements in the Party Constitution and Bylaws
  - All requirements have been reviewed. A monthly questionnaire will be sent to each Affiliate Representative by the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month in order to ensure continued compliance.
  - Unless otherwise noted, each Affiliate is compliant with the LPCO's Constitution and Bylaws.
    - Correction: Last month report listed Delta County as non-compliant. This was a mistake on my part. The county was fully compliant with all governing documents by the June 2017 Board Meeting.
- Communicate with Affiliate Representatives on a monthly basis
  - I have been instructed by the State Chair to only seek updates from the Affiliate Groups quarterly. It is our intention to have the By-Laws changed at next convention. I will reach out to each group again in August and will update the membership in my September Board Report.
- Facilitate resources sharing and cooperation among affiliates
  - Data Dumps – Beginning in June 2017, each Affiliate and Development Group should have begun receiving a quarterly “data dump” from the LPCO database to

include registered voter data, mailing lists, and prospects, after executing an agreement that any such data will be used for the work of the Affiliate or Development Group in growing the Libertarian Party and not for commercial or other private use. This data will be provided without charge. However, voluntary contributions will be requested towards the LPCO database charges which are significant.

- Nationbuilder – Any Affiliate Group that wishes to enter into a data-sharing arrangement with the LPCO may host its website and use our database infrastructure, including administrative access at no charge. The website does have to be built using the NationBuilder template tools and will require some knowledge (there are video tutorials available) of these tools, or the template from the state party can be replicated and populated with Affiliate Groups's information. As an example, visit the Libertarian Party of Douglas County Affiliate's website (<http://www.lpdc.org/>)
- Facebook Group – All county contacts and Affiliate Representatives should ensure that they are part of the [LPCO Affiliates and DGs](#) (link) secret Facebook group. The purpose of the group is to ensure a place where cooperation and communication may occur as well as strategies to maximize local growth. If your local group is not represented in the Facebook Group please let our Regions Director know so that you may be added.
- [Facebook County Pages](#) (link) – A newsfeed on Facebook including all of the pages for each county in Colorado
- [County Contact Directory](#) (link) – Updated regularly on Google Docs

## **Art II Sec 13 of the By-Laws of the Libertarian Party of Colorado:**

*“...Each Officer shall actively participate in a meeting of at least one Party Affiliate or Development Group each calendar year.”*

- Since the 2017 Convention, the Vice Chair has attended the following Affiliate Party Meetings
  - May 18, 2017 – Boulder County Meeting
  - May 18, 2017 – El Paso County Meeting
- Since the 2017 Convention, the Vice Chair has attended the following Development Group Meetings
  - April 9, 2017 – Clear Creek County Development Group
  - May 17, 2017 – Larimer County Development Group

## **SECRETARY OF STATE UPDATES**

- [June 29 - Secretary Williams' response to request for public voter files](#)

## **COMMITTEES:**

- Libertarian Party of Colorado
  - Style Committee
    - The Vice Chair is automatically part of this committee because he served as the Chair of the previous Constitution and By Laws Committee.

- The Board of Directors has not yet named the At-Large members for this committee and no current meetings have been planned or actions taken.
- Policy Committee
  - This committee is chaired by the Fundraising Director. Please see his report for more information.
- Libertarian National Committee
  - The Vice Chair is not currently on any committees for the LNC.
- Radical Caucus of the Libertarian Party (National Caucus)
  - Endorsements Committee:
    - The Chair of the Committee has requested that another committee member take her place as chair and work has largely been discounted.
- Outright Libertarians (National Caucus)
  - The Vice Chair is not currently on any committees for the Outright Libertarians.

## MISCELLANEOUS:

- Last month caused my family a lot of financial hardship and stress involving a major plumbing repair at my house. As a result, I was slightly removed from my responsibilities on the Board. This project is finally wrapped up, but has left me unable to continue financial support to the Libertarian Party of Colorado and national caucuses. I am also having my time divided due to the need to work a second job. The best way to reach out to me is by emailing [ViceChair@LPColorado.org](mailto:ViceChair@LPColorado.org). If I cannot assist, I will forward your message to someone who can.
- My vital stats project has been put on hold until more metrics can be identified and time permits building the database.
- I am interested in starting a Libertarian Podcast and would love the LPCO and its membership to help me with this project. I have put out requests for interested parties several times, but have not received any feedback to date. I think there is a tremendous opportunity to see something like this in Colorado.
- I intend to submit my name for the LNC Platform Committee to serve as Colorado's Representative once applications are available.
- I've attended several LNC Conference Calls for training and get great value from them. I recommend them to all Board members and any member of our Party.
- Upcoming Events I Plan to Attend:
  - July 12, 2017 – Mesa County Development Group Meeting
  - July 18, 2017 – Denver County Development Group Meeting
  - Regular LNC: Libertarian Party Development Conference Calls

Respectfully Submitted,  
Richard Longstreth  
Vice Chair, Libertarian Party of Colorado  
<https://www.facebook.com/LibertarianLongstreth>



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## **Treasurer, 10 July 2017**

As per our Bylaws Article II, Section 9, the duties of the Treasurer are as follows:

The Treasurer shall be responsible for maintaining accurate records of all income and expenses associated with the operation of the Party and shall present a summary of all income and expenses incurred at the regular meeting of the Board. The income and expense summary may be limited to activity since the last regular meeting of the Board. The Treasurer shall also prepare budgets for the other board members or assist them in preparing their own budgets.

As of 01 July 2017, PayPal balance was \$455.22.

As of 01 July 2017, BBVA Compass balance was \$8,680.24.

As of 01 July 2017, Stripe balance was \$0.00.

As of 01 July 2017, Federal Election Activity account balance was \$1.00.

Held in reserve:

Standard reserve \$1500.00

NationBuilder reserve \$636.00

Weld Co DG \$15.00

Clear Creek Co DG \$40.00

Denver Co DG \$142.00

**As of 01 July 2017, Total accessible (not including reserved funds) balance was \$6,803.46.**

I have instituted a monthly corraling of one twelfth the annual NationBuilder fee in QuickBooks and in this report so that the sudden expense in April doesn't catch us unprepared. Based on the NationBuilder annual fee that I anticipate, the monthly cut is \$318.33. Please note that our accessible balance is less than it was last month.

Subscription (16 recurring) donations to PayPal, Stripe & Compass Bank for June, \$590.52, a loss of \$40.00.

I request that any Board member who receives cash or check from a donor please email me with the date received, check number, amount, and name & address of the donor. If the check is \$100 or more, then I also need the donor's occupation and employer. Please refer to the postscript in Treasurer's Report July 2016 for a list of TRACER-accepted occupation names.

We can't accept cash donations over \$100. We can't accept contributions from corporations or from foreign nationals. The party can accept anonymous donations less than \$20 but if anonymous donations are collected by someone not authorized to accept funds for LPCO (not a board member) then that someone is considered a conduit and the collected aggregate is counted against their personal contribution limit and the funds conveyed to LPCO can't include more than \$100 in cash.

FEC Filing: Report filed 07/01/2017. Next report due 01/31/2018. FecFile software updated on my laptop to latest version on 06/07/2017.

Filed TRACER report 07/01/2017. Next report due 10/16/2017.

For supporters who wish to make monthly donations but who don't have or want a PayPal account, I can set up a subscription using Stripe using the donor's credit card information. We now have two such subscriptions.

As I will not be available for the July board meeting, I would like to post my affirmative vote here, if appropriate, to approve the data use agreement as amended by email vote.

***Respectfully Submitted,***  
***John Hjersman***

4:55 PM  
07/01/17  
Accrual Basis

**Libertarian Party of Colorado**  
**Statement of Financial Income and Expense**  
**June 2017**

	<u>Unclassified</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Income		
Donations	652.76	652.76
Stripe Sales	67.76	67.76
Total Income	<u>720.52</u>	<u>720.52</u>
Gross Profit	720.52	720.52
Expense		
Advertising/Promotional	90.66	90.66
Credit Card Fees	35.44	35.44
Mail boxes	240.00	240.00
Stripe Payment Processing Fees	2.57	2.57
Telephone	9.95	9.95
Total Expense	<u>378.62</u>	<u>378.62</u>
Net Ordinary Income	<u>341.90</u>	<u>341.90</u>
Net Income	<u><u>341.90</u></u>	<u><u>341.90</u></u>





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## **Fundraising Director July 2017 Report**

Business Plan has been discussed with State Chair. Suggestions and Guidance Provided.

Sample Donor Letter has been prepared and will be presented to the board at next meeting for feedback and guidance.

Talking points for donor solicitations via phone have been established with State Chair, campaign will begin in earnest with the intent of soliciting known contributors via donor lists on hand.

Plans for a fundraising events to be held this year- includes the hosting a of film screening fundraiser as well as an end of the year event (i.e. Festivus/Christmas party).

***In Liberty,***

***Eric Mulder***

***Fundraising Director- Libertarian Party of Colorado***

***Outreach Director- Libertarian Party of Arapahoe County***

***303-960-3997***



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## CAMPAIGNS REPORT

*July 2017*

### DUTIES AND POWERS

BY Art II Sec 4

“The Campaigns Director shall identify political races and coordinate candidate and issue development. The Campaigns Director shall be responsible for, and coordinate, all political campaigns of the Party.”

The Libertarian Party of Colorado is currently seeking interested and motivated individuals to run for office in 2017. These races are mostly non-partisan, local races for roles such as city council, mayor, county commissioner, etc. If you or someone you know is interested, please have them get in contact with the Campaigns Director.

- We have had no further prospective candidates show interest in running locally in 2017, and to date we have 3 candidates:
  - Michael Stapleton – Pueblo City Council
  - John Keil – Loveland City Council
  - Jeff Wilson – Aurora City Council (Ward 2)

The Libertarian Party of Colorado is currently seeking interested and motivated individuals to run for office in 2018. These races include everything from the local level up to United States Congress. If you or someone you know is interested, please have them get in contact with the Campaigns Director.

- We have had a few more people show interest in 2018 positions, with interest expressed by:
  - John Kinkaid, a former Moffat County Commissioner is interested in running for federal office, possibly for US Congress
  - Austin Brown of Greeley has interest in standing as Congressperson – will clarify with him as to whether he wishes to run for state or US congress
  - Brian Caplan of Denver has also expressed interest in standing for US Congress
  - Karen Wray Schneider of Denver has expressed interest in running as a Senator – will clarify as to US or state seat



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- Sarah Cannon has expressed interest in running for Senate or Supreme Court Justice
- David Cannone of Colorado Springs is interested in running for President or Senate
- Robert Szekely of Colorado Springs is interested in running for President
- US HD 4 – both Bruce Griffith & Richard Longstreth have indicated an interest in this seat
- US HD 5 – Ryan Pyner
- SD3 – Michael Stapleton may be interested depending on the outcome of his City Council campaign in 2017
- SD13 – Richard Longstreth is a possible candidate
- SD16 – Chris Jenkins
- HD6 – Kat Martin
- HD13 – Daniel Lutz
- HD33 – Kim Tavendale
- HD36 – Eric Mulder
- HD48 – Caleb Bolander
- HD50 – Richard Longstreth is a possible candidate
- HD56 – Kevin Gulbranson
- HD57 – John Kinkaid may also be interested in this seat
- Not specified:
  - Jacob Reynoldson of Aurora
  - Eric Joss of Ft Lupton
  - Pete Garofallou of Hartsel
  - Tyler Thompson of Denver
  - Sean Doyle of Littleton
  - Arielle Cassiday
- CU Regent – James Treibart may run depending on whether he will be permitted to do so as an employee of the university. There are three open seats for CU Regent – districts 3, 5, and statewide At-Large.
- County Commissioner:
  - Brent Shroyer of Rangely
- As yet, we have no prospective candidates declared for the State Board of Education. Open seats in districts 2 and 4.
- As yet, we have no prospective candidates for Regional Transport District. Open seats include district B, C, J, K, L, N, and O.
- As yet, no one has formally declared an interest in running for Secretary of State, State Treasurer, Attorney General, or Governor or Lt. Governor in 2018.



All prospective candidates are being added to the Colorado Libertarian Candidates group on Facebook for information sharing, encouragement and support.

The Candidates Handbook is being reviewed to produce a condensed, step-by-step pamphlet for those wishing to run locally, statewide and federally.

The Campaigns Director is looking for persons interested in collaborating on a video that prospective, party-endorsed candidates may brand with their information and use in their campaigns. Needed are a videographer, actors and editing volunteers. A call for volunteers for this project will be made in the next month.

Kim Tavendale



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## OUTREACH DIRECTOR REPORT – JULY 2017

### **Article II, Section 5, of the By-Laws of the Libertarian Party of Colorado:**

*“The Outreach Director shall be responsible for recruiting members, having speakers, conducting recruiting events, organizing and supporting student clubs and organizations at high schools, colleges, and universities and setting up and operating a speakers bureau.”*

#### Activities:

- Worked with John Keil to try to participate in a gun show in Loveland but he lost all of his volunteers and had to back out.
- Received a copy of The Advocates for Self-Government Operation Politically Homeless Mini-Manual for Operating an OPH Booth that I will be distributing to volunteers as a training aid for working our Outreach booths in the future.
- Outreach Storage trailer - Sorting and organizing materials for ease and efficiency in locating specific items when needed. Will outfit the trailer with shelving so that items can be stored in an organized fashion. I intend to create and catalog of items available and maintain an ongoing perpetual inventory system to ensure that we will have availability of what we need when we need it. There are some items that we may need to dispose of due to age and usefulness. – Ongoing!
- Looking for recommendations of events that we can partner with throughout the state.

#### Scheduled Events:

- Denver PrideFest 2017 – June 17 11:00 am to 7:00 pm, June 18 10:00 am to 6:00 pm, Denver Civic Center Park, Booth Space #K11.  
Received some additional materials courtesy of Richard Longstreth specific to the LGBT agenda – The Outright Libertarians take on The Advocates World’s Smallest Political Quiz entitled World’s Gayest Political Quiz and an eight page booklet entitled GAY RIGHTS: A LIBERTARIAN APPROACH by Ralph Raico.

Thank you Caryn Ann Harlos for the supply of Rainbow buttons for distribution in the booth. These were gobbled up quite quickly.

This was by far our busiest event of the season as we had constant traffic throughout the even both days open to close. Our audience was pleased to learn that the Libertarian Party has been leading the fight for the right to live life as one pleases so long as it does no harm to another for over 45 years.

We gathered contact info through the quizzes on 112 additional people and collected \$141 in donations for buttons, coffee cups, t-shirts, etc.

An acknowledgement of thanks was posted in several places on our social media thanking each volunteer by name who participated in Cinco de Mayo, People's Fair and PrideFest.

Future Events/Requests:

- Carbon Valley Music & Spirits Festival, Dacono, CO, Saturday August 5. Marie Cochran
- Beef and Bean Day, Milliken, CO – Saturday August 12. Marie Cochran
- Taste of Colorado, Denver Civic Center Park, Denver, CO – Friday September 1 to Monday September 4.
- Broomfield Days, Midway Park, Broomfield, CO – Saturday September 16. Approx cost \$75. Suggest supporting local affiliate.
- Sugar Beet Days Arts & Crafts Festival, Logan County Courthouse lawn, Sterling, CO – Saturday September 16, Sunday September 17. Suggest supporting local affiliate.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kevin Gulbranson  
Outreach Director, LPCO



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## Regions Director Report, July 2017

### DUTIES AND POWERS

#### BY Art II Sec 3

Section 3: The Regions Director shall be responsible for representing the regions and for coordinating campaigns, media, outreach, and other party functions in those regions. The regions shall be composed of the following counties:

#### COUNTY UPDATES *(\* county contact needed)*

- **Pikes Peak: El Paso, Park, Teller**
  - El Paso County
    - June 8th [Board Meeting](#)
    - July 11<sup>th</sup> Colorado Springs City Council Meeting
    - Active Facebook page
  - Park County
  - Teller County
    - Inactive Facebook
- **Upper Arkansas: Chaffee, Custer, Fremont, Lake**
  - Chaffee County\*
    - Inactive Facebook
  - Custer County
    - Inactive Facebook
  - Fremont County
    - Facebook page actively maintained
  - Lake County
    - Facebook page actively maintained
- **Southeast: Baca, Bent, Crowley, Huerfano, Las Animas, Otero, Prowers, Pueblo**
  - Baca County\*
    - Inactive Facebook Page
  - Bent County\*
    - Inactive Facebook Page

- Crowley County\*
  - Inactive Facebook Page
- Huerfano County\*
  - Inactive Facebook Page
- Las Animas County\*
  - Inactive Facebook Page
- Otero County\*
  - Inactive Facebook Page
- Prowers County\*
  - Inactive Facebook Page
- Pueblo County
  - Facebook page actively maintained
  - Slow growth but progress being made
- **San Luis: Alamosa, Conejos, Costilla, Rio Grande, Saguache**
  - Alamosa County \*
    - Inactive Facebook Page
  - Conejos County\*
    - Inactive Facebook Page
  - Costilla County\*
    - Inactive Facebook Page
  - Rio Grande County\*
    - Inactive Facebook Page
  - Saguache County\*
    - Inactive Facebook Page
- **San Juan: Archuleta, Dolores, Hinsdale, La Plata, Mineral, Montezuma, San Juan, San Miguel**
  - Archuleta County\*
    - Inactive Facebook Page
  - Dolores County
    - Active Facebook Page
  - Hinsdale County\*
    - Inactive Facebook Page
  - La Plata County\*
    - Inactive Facebook Page
  - Mineral County\*
    - Inactive Facebook Page
  - Montezuma County\*
    - Inactive Facebook Page
  - San Juan County\*
    - Inactive Facebook Page



- San Miguel County\*
  - Inactive Facebook Page
  
- **Western Slope: Delta, Gunnison, Mesa, Montrose, Ouray**
  - Delta County
    - Regular meetings first Saturday of the month
  - Gunnison County\*
    - Inactive Facebook Page
  - Mesa County
    - active Facebook Page
    - Leadership Has found venue and is planning first meeting
  - Montrose County\*
    - Inactive Facebook Page
  - Ouray County\*
    - Inactive Facebook Page
  
- **Central: Clear Creek, Eagle, Garfield, Gilpin, Grand, Pitkin, Summit**
  - Clear Creek County
    - Partially active
  - Eagle County\*
    - Inactive Facebook Page
  - Garfield County
    - Inactive Facebook Page
  - Gilpin County \*
    - Inactive Facebook Page
  - Grand County\*
    - Inactive Facebook Page
  - Pitkin County\*
    - Inactive Facebook Page
  - Summit County
    - Inactive Facebook Page
  
- **Northwest: Jackson, Moffat, Rio Blanco, Routt**
  - Jackson County\*
    - Inactive Facebook Page
  - Moffat County\*
    - Inactive Facebook Page
  - Rio Blanco County\*
    - Inactive Facebook Page
  - Routt County
    - Inactive Facebook Page

- **Metro: Adams, Arapahoe, Boulder, Broomfield, Denver, Douglas, Jefferson**
  - Adams County
    - Facebook page actively maintained
    - Leadership is seeking a venue for meetings
  - Arapahoe County
    - “Arapahappy Hour” meeting July 11<sup>th</sup>
    - July 15<sup>th</sup> Quarterly Meeting
  - Boulder County
    - Hosts Libertarian Lunch every Thursday with [Podcasts](#) of speakers made available
    - Inactive Facebook Page
    - Has new Secretary
    - Planning meeting July 7<sup>th</sup>
    - Adjusted time of lunch meeting to start at 12:15
  - Broomfield County
    - Facebook page actively maintained
  - Denver County
    - Facebook page actively maintained
    - July 18<sup>th</sup> Initial meeting
  - Douglas County
    - Facebook page strongly maintained
    - July 6th Special guest speaker Steve Kerbel
  - Jefferson County
    - Working on phone banking for increased membership attendance
    - Facebook strongly maintained
- **Northeast: Larimer, Logan, Morgan, Phillips, Sedgwick, Washington, Weld**
  - Larimer County
    - July 10<sup>th</sup> Monthly Meeting
    - Facebook page strongly maintained
  - Logan County
    - Inactive Facebook Page
  - Morgan County\*
    - Inactive Facebook Page
  - Phillips County\*
    - Inactive Facebook Page
  - Sedgwick County\*
    - Inactive Facebook Page
  - Washington County\*
    - Inactive Facebook Page
  - Weld County

- Seeking a better venue for meetings
- Strongly involved with Fredrick Recall election.
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- **Plains: Cheyenne, Elbert, Kiowa, Kit Carson, Lincoln, Yuma**
  - Cheyenne County\*
    - Inactive Facebook Page
  - Elbert County
    - Inactive Facebook Page
  - Kiowa County\*
    - Inactive Facebook Page
  - Kit Carson County\*
    - Inactive Facebook Page
  - Lincoln County\*
    - Inactive Facebook Page
  - Yuma County
    - Inactive Facebook Page

#### **BY Art II Sec 12 – Maintain Documentation**

- [County Contact Directory](#)
- [County Facebook Feed](#)

#### **BY Art II Sec 13 – Attend Affiliate Board Meeting**

- Regions Director Plans to travel to Dolores County on the 17th

#### **COMMITTEES:**

#### **MISCELLANEOUS:**

***Respectfully Submitted,***

Daniel Lutz

Regions Director

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## July 2017 Legislative Directors Report

Approximately 60 days out of the 2017 Colorado Legislative Session, some of the legislation passed is having an effect. SB17-267, The Sustainability of Rural Colorado act is showing to create some issues already. Special Districts, RTD and Cultural and Scientific Districts, to name a few, are no longer allowed the benefit of the standard 2.9% State Sales tax on Recreational Marijuana, The standard state sales tax has been removed, but the state excise tax has been increased from 10% to 15%. The effect on the elimination of the 2.9% sales tax and the effect on the special districts was an oversight by legislatures with the passage of the bill being rushed. These district are now forced to make budget cuts and identify those cuts in a hurry.

The bill, which included more than 70 pages of strike below text and was rushed to passage in the last days of the 2017 legislative session made several changes to revenue collection as well as directed more than \$1 billion to rural highways. In summary, the bill:

- Reverses funding reductions to certain hospitals.
- Moves the Hospital Provider Fee (HPF) to an enterprise fund.
- Creates a business personal property tax credit for small business.
- Provides extra money for rural schools.
- Requires all state agencies to submit a plan for a 2 percent budget reduction.
- Protects senior homestead exemption.
- Puts \$2 billion into Certificates of Participation (COPs) for capital construction and transportation.

### Additional Activities:

Working on my campaign for Pueblo City Council. On the Day of my formal, public announcement I was able to get a pretty good interview in the local newspaper, Pueblo Chieftain, which they did identify me as a member of the Libertarian Party of Colorado. The City Council District Incumbent announce his intent to seek re-election and another person has announced intent to run for the seat as well.

Planning for a couple of Outreach events, Pueblo Pride Fest, August 20<sup>th</sup>, 11:00am – 4:00pm  
And the Pueblo Chile Fest in September as well as the Legislative BBQ at the Colorado State Fair in the end of August.

As per our Bylaws Article II, Section 8, the duties of the Legislative Director are as follows:  
The Legislative Director shall be responsible for monitoring activity in the State Legislature, communicating with that body, developing issue oriented interest groups, and working with other organizations on areas of mutual concern.

***Respectfully Submitted,  
Michael Stapleton  
Legislative Director, Libertarian Party of Colorado***



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## **Membership Director Report July 2017**

**Per our Bylaws Article II, Section 11, the duties of the Membership Director are as follows: The Membership Director shall be responsible for developing membership education programs and publications, recruiting and training activists from the membership, and overseeing leadership training and succession planning at all levels within the Party, categorizing and contacting current individual members (registered Libertarian voters) to ask/persuade the members to support the LPCO financially or actively and for monthly reporting the same to the Board and affiliates.**

I'm talking to some prospects for the job of newsletter editor.

I'm working on a process for contacting new inquiries.

***Respectfully Submitted,***  
**Steven Gallant**



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## **COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR REPORT JULY 2017**

As per our Bylaws Article II, Section 6, the duties of the Communications Director are as follows:

Section 6: The Communications Director shall be responsible for all communications, web sites, multimedia, social media, press releases, media appearances, and media inquiries.

### **Social Media:**

The three regular Facebook schedulers (Jeff, Hannah, and Victoria), one Twitter scheduler (Robert Bentley) are doing fantastic with little supervision as has been the case. Robert Bentley also took on Instagram. Those posts cannot be reviewed ahead of time in Hootsuite, but Robert is a long-time trusted volunteer, and I can review items after posting in the dashboard. Robert has never had a Twitter post removed.

The Board schedule needs to be kept to, and I ask each Board member to do so pursuant to below:

7:00pm Tues and Thurs: Kevin Gulbranson  
7:00pm Sat Wayne Harlos  
7:00pm Friday and Sun Daniel Lutz  
7:00pm Mon Michael Stapleton and Kim Tavendale  
7:00pm Wed Eric Mulder and 9:00 pm Steve Gallant

There is also a weekly Spanish post by Victoria Reynolds and Beatriz Sutton is doing a weekly #TBT post.

**Twitter/Instagram leader Robert Bentley submitted the following:** The LPCO Twitter and Instagram accounts are running quite well. Ever since taking over the Instagram account I have grown the number of followers from barely nothing to 121 in just a couple of weeks. Liberty minded memes and information are being posted their multiple times a day. As for the Twitter

account, the LPCO account has grown past 1,500 followers and posts on the same schedule it has been for sometime. The next goal is 1,600 followers by the next board meeting.

Our Social Media statistics are as follows:

SOURCE	LIKES/ FOLLOW / CIRCLES	REACH / VIEWS
FACEBOOK	24,076	It has been a slow month which is expected this time of year
TWITTER	1546	Steady and good growth
Instagram	125	

These have been our most popular posts:

**Libertarian Party of Colorado**  
Published by Hostsaur 11: June 22 at 5:07pm ·

What do you think?

**FIREFIGHTERS**  
DON'T GO LOOKING FOR FIRES TO PUT OUT

**PARAMEDICS**  
DON'T GO LOOKING FOR PEOPLE TO TREAT

**POLICE**  
SHOULDN'T GO LOOKING FOR PEOPLE TO FINE AND ARREST. IF WE NEED YOU, WE WILL CALL.

Get More Likes, Comments and Shares  
Boost this post for \$9 to reach up to 3,400 people.

130,098 people reached

**7,494** Reactions, Comments & Shares

4,439 Like On Post 686 On Post 3,753 On Shares

301 Love On Post 51 On Post 250 On Shares

109 haha On Post 14 On Post 95 On Shares

23 Wow On Post 2 On Post 21 On Shares

9 Sad On Post 1 On Post 8 On Shares

30 Angry On Post 1 On Post 38 On Shares

1,326 Comments On Post 89 On Post 1,237 On Shares

1,252 Shares On Post 1,228 On Post 24 On Shares

12,761 Post Clicks

2,061 Photo Views 7 Link Clicks 10,693 Other Clicks

**NEGATIVE FEEDBACK**

39 Hide Post 19 Hide All Posts 0 Report as Spam 0 Unlike Page

**Libertarian Party of Colorado**  
Published by Hostsaur 11: June 5 ·

Simple logic.

**WHY ARE TUITION AND HEALTHCARE PRICES SO HIGH?**

**IF I KNEW THE GOVERNMENT WERE HANDING OUT MONEY, I'D RAISE MY PRICES TOO.**

Get More Likes, Comments and Shares  
Boost this post for \$9 to reach up to 3,400 people.

204,765 people reached

**7,406** Reactions, Comments & Shares

5,145 Like On Post 213 On Post 4,932 On Shares

120 Love On Post 3 On Post 117 On Shares

176 haha On Post 12 On Post 164 On Shares

20 Wow On Post 0 On Post 20 On Shares

38 Sad On Post 0 On Post 38 On Shares

30 Angry On Post 0 On Post 39 On Shares

525 Comments On Post 11 On Post 514 On Shares

1,340 Shares On Post 1,329 On Post 11 On Shares

7,338 Post Clicks

1,527 Photo Views 20 Link Clicks 5,791 Other Clicks

**NEGATIVE FEEDBACK**

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**Libertarian Party of Colorado**  
Published by Kim Tawandale 11: June 28 at 7:00pm ·

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98 Reactions, Comments & Shares

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6 Love On Post 0 On Post 6 On Shares

1 haha On Post 1 On Post 0 On Shares

9 Comments On Post 1 On Post 8 On Shares

8 Shares On Post 4 On Post 4 On Shares

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**Website:**

This has been updated with available pics and bios. **We are missing pic and bio for Clayton.** Victoria is translating our Platform into Spanish for the website--this is a long-term project. When our historical documents have been moved to LPedia, the archive section will point there.

**Media/Events/Press Release:**

We sent out a press release on Civil Asset Forfeiture. The Media Action Team is continuing to monitor events, and we are working on an op-ed on health care and the state.

**Policy Manual and Style Guide:**

I have asked several Board members (Kim and Eric) to assist me on the Style Guide which will soon be beginning after the policy manual gets further underway. The policy manual is still in its very beginning as we have had one meeting so far. We are awaiting the chair to set another meeting.

**National Platform Committee Appointment:**

I sent a proposed survey over to the Board.

**FURTHER INVOLVEMENT:**

My involvement with the Party goes beyond my prescribed Board duties.

**National Membership Updates:**

I am awaiting the next membership report.

**Radical Caucus:**

I am on the Board of Directors of the Libertarian Party Radical Caucus as the Colorado State Coordinator, and we just conducted an online convention.

I am also assisting in the formation of the Libertarian Unity Caucus.

**Volunteer Recruitment:**

I have been actively soliciting and developing LPCO volunteers,.

**Committees:**

I have been appointed to the National Bylaws and Platform Committees and serve also on the National Advertising and Publication Review Committee. I also now Chair the Historical Preservation Committee. I am an automatic member of the LPCO Style Committee as I was former Chair of the past Platform Committee.

**Historical Preservation/LPedia**

Beatriz Sutton is heading up the Colorado portion which has had fantastic progress. Myself and Sarah Ellsworth have been working each Saturday on the National records.

**LNC/National:**

Please see my LNC Regional report submitted separately.

**Independent Political Report:**

I am editor and report on Party news and issues.

***Respectfully Submitted,  
Caryn Ann Harlos  
Communications Director and Social Media Chair***



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## **REGION 1 REPRESENTATIVE REPORT, July 2017**

I sent out a Regional Newsletter last week detailing events since my last report. A copy of that newsletter is attached.

***Respectfully Submitted,***

***Caryn Ann Harlos***

***Libertarian National Committee, Region 1 Representative***

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LIBERTARIAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE, REGION 1

## Dear Region 1 Members:

This is my periodic status update in order to keep you up to date on matters concerning the Libertarian National Committee and my involvement as your elected Regional representative. Remember, you can also find copies of referenced reports as well as a lot of other helpful information at the [Region 1 website](#). If you missed my last month newsletter, you can read it [here](#).

Following are some of the major issues discussed on the LNC Business List since my last newsletter to you. I highly encourage you to follow this list [LNC Archives of Email Discussions and Votes \(can be viewed by author, date, subject and thread\)](#) and keep track of what your National Party representatives are doing as I can only cover the major items here.

**Please note that the next in-person LNC meeting will be in Kansas City, Missouri on August 19-20, 2017. You can find details [here](#). The minutes for the April meeting can [be viewed here](#). The finalized 2016 Convention minutes [can be found here](#). Please note that the appendixes to the minutes contain very interesting reports such as the most recent [Ballot Access Report](#).**

My latest Region 1 report can be found [here](#).

**JUNE 2017 MEMBERSHIP REPORT (not out at time of this mailing, check website for update)**

**MAY 2017 END-OF-MONTH FINANCIAL REPORT**

This can be viewed [here](#).

**EMAIL MOTIONS SINCE LAST REPORT**

**Motion: to allow staff the discretion to choose between publishing a total of five or six physical issues of LPNews for the year of 2017, subject to the approval of the Chairman.**

**Co-Sponsors:** Hayes, Bilyeu, Goldstein, Redpath, Harlos, Demarest

**Voting “aye”:** Bilyeu, Bittner, Demarest, Goldstein, Hagan, Hayes, Hewitt, Katz, Lark, Marsh, McKnight, Redpath

**Voting “nay”:** Harlos, Starchild

**With a final vote tally of 12-2, the motion PASSES.**

*I opposed this Motion because at the budget meeting the number of issues was a definite factor in passing the budget. Although it wasn't a part of the budget motion, it certainly was part of the intent, and I believe this should have been honored. You may wonder why I co-sponsored this motion when I intended upon opposing it. Unless something really goes against my principles or conscience or is some other item of great controversy that require more regional input, I will co-sponsor as I believe motions should get heard.*

**Motion: to amend the budget by changing line 26-Branding Development/Political Materials Revenue from \$30,000 to \$60,000, and changing line 55-Branding Development/Political Materials Expenses from \$30,000 to \$60,000.**

**Sponsors:** Hagan, Hayes, Katz, Harlos

**Voting “aye”:** Bilyeu, Bittner, Demarest, Goldstein, Hagan, Harlos, Hayes,

Hewitt, Katz, Lark, Marsh, Mattson, McKnight, Redpath, Starchild, Vohra

**Voting “nay”:** (none)

With a final vote tally of 16-0, the motion PASSES.

### **TRANSPARENCY CONCERNS**

As many are aware, I was one of the LNC appointees to the Bylaws Committee and have been an advocate for transparency along with Kim Ruff, Chuck Moulton, and David Pratt Demarest. Here is my last email to the LNC on this matter for your information:

*We had a discussion about this before on the list, but I was waiting until we had our adjourned meeting.*

*Minutes are in fact NOT going to be public unless decided on a case by case basis and it was made clear that certain members will always vote no on minutes if any of us ask for, as is our right, and win – a roll call vote. This is silly since the meetings were decided to be open which means that anyone attending can take notes about who voted which way.*

*Meetings will be open and can be recorded by any party member. However, emails will not be. So this means that emails are not meetings or we are having secret meetings in which we can vote from which no one disclose how anyone else voted unlike the “public meetings.”*

*But if emails are not meetings then there is no authority to tell any member what they can or cannot talk about that was talked about in emails. Yet we were. So either there was an instruction given without any authority or we are having secret deliberations. It cannot go both ways.*

*I am not writing this because I expect the LNC to get involved or do anything. I am writing this because members came to our public hearing and clearly wanted transparency and it is not being given to them – it is partially given and easy to circumvent. It is an illusion of transparency. I believe the LNC should know that members are not happy with the conduct of the procedures of the Bylaws committee.*

*It will be said that I want to sabotage the committee as has been accused. That is silly. I am spending hours and hours on this and I have other things I could do*

*and that is an attack upon my integrity. That is fine if anyone wants to do that but my work ethic in this Party speaks for itself and such an attack speaks about the accuser, not me. I want us to propose great measures that pass, and I think we will. But if a culture of secrecy is not what we want, and not what the members want, this should be kept in mind at future appointments. What happens this time lays the groundwork for next convention- that is why I am firm in my position- there is precedent for the future.*

*Asking for the same level of transparency as the LNC is not some crazy idea of transparency that requires cameras in the bathroom. It is wanting what we do here .... and I for one don't think that is unreasonable.*

*I have another reason for writing. So it is definite now that there are things I am not supposed to talk about prior to the convention (presumably after it as well). There isn't anything particular now that I think I need to – but perhaps one day there will be. My duty to the members and my firm belief that there is no authority for this silencing rule overweighs that.*

*The Bylaws Committee has no disciplinary power. I would certainly hope this LNC would not discipline any Bylaws Committee members that simply decide to reveal to members the content of our deliberations and how appointees voted. They cannot measure our judgment in making appointments etc without that information. Robert's has been cited that no "allusion can be made in the assembly" about the deliberations. That is not referring to discussions with members prior to the assembly – which is the convention – and are emails "delibertarions"? If so, then we ARE having secret delibertarions despite having "open meetings." Does that make sense to you? No, it doesn't to me either. I think everyone agrees that once reports are issued and presented to the convention, no one can get up to the mic and say "so and so" said as part of their argument. But that does not keep me from updating Region 1 members or my own affiliate who DOES want to know these details contemporaneously prior to the issuance of reports.*

*I would like to know if the LNC has any intention of enforcing what amounts to a silencing order on certain details of email discussions.*

## **CONVENTION ATTENDANCE**

Part of my commitment as your representative was to attend regional

conventions as scheduling would allow with a goal to visit each state at least once during my term. To that end, this year, I attended and was honoured to be a guest speaker at these Region 1 Conventions: Alaska, Arizona, Colorado, Montana, and Washington. I will likely be traveling to Wyoming in the next few months. Unfortunately the Kansas, Utah, and Washington conventions were all on the same weekend, so I do hope to make Kansas and Utah next year, and to remotely attend any Hawaii convention once it is set (or travel there!).

Outside of Region 1, I was the invited guest for the New Mexico and Oregon conventions.

### **HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE**

This project is going strong and progressing rapidly. We have now raised about \$8,500 of the \$10,00 budget. Preserving our history is vitally important. Here is a [downloadable form](#) you can use to contribute or you may do so [at this link](#).

You can read my last report as Chair of this Committee [here](#). We also received some coverage in the Colorado Independent which you can read [here](#).

You may follow (read-only) the Committee discussions as follows:

Send a message to:

[lphpc-request@lists.dehnbase.net](mailto:lphpc-request@lists.dehnbase.net)

with "subscribe" in the subject line.

The archive/encyclopedia portion of this project, [LPedia.org](#), is up [and ready for your membership](#) and participation.

The National Page also has an [events page](#) now listed to make it easier to find conventions and notices of committees meetings you may wish to attend to keep informed.

As always you can always write me at [caryn.ann.harlos@LP.org](mailto:caryn.ann.harlos@LP.org) or call me at 561.523.2250 with any questions.





## A Collaborative History of the Libertarian Party

LPedia is up and ready! Please come and add your bits and pieces of Libertarian history to this crowd-sourced resource. Nearly anything and everything LP-related is notable and should be included. We also encourage State Parties to use this resource to store their histories, all the way down to meeting minutes, press releases, and other publications.

[Come and register today!](#)

The National Party has produced a great resource list at [LPAction.org](http://LPAction.org). You can find all kinds of resources including training manuals, graphics files, and contact list. Check it out!



I love to be kept informed about significant happenings in our Region so please feel free to reach out any time with important news and happenings. That information also helps me to keep my reports up to date and thorough. You can always email me at [Caryn.Ann.Harlos@LP.org](mailto:Caryn.Ann.Harlos@LP.org) or call me at 561.523.2250.

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